

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A computer system includes an automatic startup configuration utility running in a startup sequence to update the startup sequence according to the actions of a user in launching applications during an initial portion of an operating session.

- 5 An application is considered for automatic launching based on the number of times it has been launched in the past and on the percentage of possible times that it has been launched. Preferably, before an application is added to the startup sequence, the user is presented with a dialog box asking him whether he wishes the application to be added for automatic launching in subsequent
- 10 operating sessions, or whether he wishes the application to be removed from consideration for automatic launching.